Hi-winds 21 fun has begun at the Fisherman's Huts!

Organizers of this year's Aruba Hi-Winds reports one of the largest inscriptions the annual competition has seen for some time, and the widest variety of participants. Amateur wind and kite surfers from as far as Hungary and Portugal and in a wide range of ages have traveled to Aruba's shores to experience our famous breezes over calm, clear azure waters.

After a welcoming party at Dunkin' Donuts, windsurfers woke to a perfect day of excellent winds for the first qualifying rounds. Conditions provided a dream day of windsurfing, and Little Caesars' along with Red Bull provided a fine lunch on the beach as they paused to refresh and refuel before the afternoon races. Nearly 120 participants provided bright spots of color on the turquoise waters with their wind sails and neon orange gear.

The end of the day saw first place Ryan Lampe of Aruba, Arturo Soliano of Bonaire, and Ricardo Albisu of Argentina way ahead of the pack in Men's, Juniors', and Masters' Slalom, respectively. The first place finish in the Women's Slalom was a close finish between Janet Ziekenoppasser of Aruba and Hilde Tuinbeek of Curacao. Aruban competitors, accustomed to the strong winds and coastline are leading in most categories, except for Kitesurfing, which has Jacky Rabinovich of Spain in first place after day one, and Super and Big Kids Youp Schmit and Rodderick Boekhoudt of Bonaire leading in those divisions.

Saturday and Sunday will be exciting days at Fisherman's Huts, with Kitesurfing and Freestyle competitions, which promise amazing stunts, which are particularly fun to watch. All spectators are welcome and invited to join the party during after-surfing "Happy Hours" sponsored by Amstel Bright. Popular local bands will fuel the fun; "The Islanders" on Saturday and "Sonic Lab" on Sunday. There will be beach volleyball and fashions shows by BULA as well.

Take a walk up the beach and join the party this weekend at Fisherman's Huts!

Results Thursday 28-6-2007 MEN Slalom

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ΡI	Sail #	Name	Country	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	ARU-5	Ryan Lampe	Aruba	2	4	0.7	0.7	0.7	2	2	12.1
2	E	Job Verbunt	Nederland	d3	2	3	2	3	0.7	17	30.7
3	NB-35	Juvannie Agostien	Bonaire	5	0.7	17	3	4	3	3	35.7
4	V-1111	Alexis Carache	Venezuela	a0.7	17	17	9	2	4	0.7	50.4
5	NB-6	Choco Frans	Bonaire	4	8	4	4	6	6	4	36.0
6	CUR-8	Ingmar Schnitzler	Curacao	6	7	2	5	5	10	17	52.0
7	ARU-8	Marco de l'Isle	Aruba	7	5	6	10	7	5	7	47.0
8	NB-56	Ethiene Soliano	Bonaire	8	6	17	6	8	7	5	57.0
9	H-8	Jan Willem Kuin	Nederland	d9	3	5	12	12	10	8	59.0
10	CUR-77	Berend Veenhuizen	Curacao	10	12	7	8	10	11	6	64.0
11	2	Joris Bosman	Nederland	d11	10	8	7	17	8	17	78.0
12	NB-13	Caesar Finies	Bonaire	13	9	9	11	9	9	17	77.0
13	CUR-502	Derek Sjak Shie	Curacao	12	11	10	12	11	17	10	83.0
14	CUR-84	Robbert van Grieken	Curacao	14	13	11	14	13	17	9	91.0
15	CUR-78	Sander van Bennekom	Curacao	15	14	12	13	14	17	11	96.0
16	A-10	Darcy Tromp	Aruba	16	17	17	17	17	17	17	118.0

JUNIORS Slalom

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PΙ	Sail #	Name	Country	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	NB-63	Arthuro Soliano	Bonaire	0.7	0.7	0.7	2	0.7	1	1	6.2
2	52	Hendryck Balentien	Bonaire	3	3	2	0.7	2	2	3	15.7
3	CUR-12	Victor Wederfoort	Curacao	2	2	3	3	3	6	2	21.0
4	ARU-99	Astor Kuiperi	Aruba	8	4	4	4	5	4	5	34.0
5	CUR-15	Nick Brouwer	Curacao	6	5	15	5	6	3	4	44.0
6	ARU-52	Bart Kole	Aruba	4	6	5	6	4	8	6	39.0
7	CUR-90	Sten Maria	Curacao	15	8	6	7	7	5	7	55.0
8	CUR-92	Mark O'Donoghue	Curacao	7	7	7	8	9	7	10	55.0
9	ARU-90	Johny van Eerden	Aruba	9	9	8	9	10	9	9	63.0
10	CUR-44	Gerardo Harmsen	Curacao	5	10	15	15	11	15	15	86.0
11	ARU-53	Zjevaun Janga	Aruba	15	11	15	15	8	15	8	87.0
12	CUR-30	Daniel Harmsen	Curacao	10	15	15	15	15	15	15	100.0
13	ARU-14	Anouk van de Bent	Aruba	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	105.0
14	107	Jeager Sint Jago	Bonaire	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	105.0
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MASTERS Slalom

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1	A-71	Ricardo Albisu	Argentina	0.7	0.7	2	0.7	2	0.7	2	8.8
2	V-201	Adolfo Fernandez	Venezuela	8	4	0.7	3	0.7	2	0.7	19.1
3	POR-137	Pedro Peixeiro	Portugal	2	2	3	5	4	5	4	25.0
4	ARU-92	Orlando de Weever	Aruba	6	3	6	4	5	3	5	32.0
5	ARU-66	Jan van Haren	Aruba	3	11	11	7	3	4	6	45.0
6	G-1	Reiner Reese	Germany	7	6	4	6	6	6	3	38.0
7	V-17	Juan Carlos Fernandez	Venezuela	4	8	7	2	7	7	8	43.0
8	US-213	Myles Borash	USA	5	5	5	8	11	11	7	52.0
9	NB-42	Bert Schreuders	Bonaire	11	7	11	11	11	11	11	73.0
10	H-1	Rob van Dijk	Nederland	111	11	11	11	11	11	11	77.0

WOMEN Slalom

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PΙ	Sail #	Name	Country	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	ARU-83	Janet Ziekenoppasser	Aruba	4	2	0.7	0.7	0.7	2	0.7	10.8
2	CUR-11	Hilde Tuinbeek	Curacao	0.7	0.7	2	2	2	0.7	2	10.1
3	ARU-28	Tatja Becker	Aruba	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	20.0
4	28	Monique Mever	Bonaire								

SPORTS Slalom

Pl		Name	Country	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	NB-33	Marvellous Maingot	Bonaire	1	2	3	0.7	1	1	4	11.8
1	NB-100	Cymbert Sances	Bonaire	3	1	5	2	3	5	2	20.7
3	3	Marcel Evers	Nederland	d2	4	0.7	6	2	3	5	22.7
4	V-15	Ronny Navarrete	Venezuela	a4	5	2	3	4	4	1	22.7
5	11	Guido Hommel	Nederland	d5	3	11	5	11	2	3	40.0
6	V-18	Andy Calzadilla	Venezuela	a6	6	4	4	5	6	11	42.0
7	H-66	Yuri Palmkoeck	Nederland	d11	11	11	11	11	11	11	77.0
8	CUR-16	Puck Reeders	Curacao	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	77.0
9	V-13	Gianluca Carli	Venezuela	a11	11	11	11	11	11	11	77.0
10	29	Linomar Isebia	Bonaire	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	77.0

KITE OPEN

1	Jacky Rabinovich	Spain	0.0
2	Henk Steenbergen	Aruba	0.0
3	Mark Groeneveld	Aruba	0.0
4	Lysander Loefstok	Aruba	0.0
5	Thijs van Westing	Nederland	0.0
6	Maki Wiggins	Aruba	0.0
7	Brunno Matorozzi	Aruba	0.0
8	Ricardo Leccese	Colombia	0.0
9	Leo Estudo	Venezuela	0.0

SPORTS/WOMEN

1	Albert Burgers	Aruba	0.0
2	Dave Lyon	Aruba	0.0
3	Philip Kervel	Aruba	0.0
4	Monique van de Hoek	Aruba	0.0
5	Katja Odijk	Aruba	0.0
6	Tatja Becker	Aruba	0.0
7	Shanon Puy	Aruba	0.0
8	Nicole Versteeg	Aruba	0.0

NEW KIDS - Slalom

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Pl Sail#	Name	Country	#:	1 #2	2 #3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1 ARU-9	8 Mack van den Eerenbeemt	Aruba	0.	74	0.7	2				7.4
2 17	Rover Dullart	Bonaire	3	0.	714	3				20.7
3 ARU-4	Ethan Westera	Aruba	9	5	4	0.7				18.7
4 NB-10	4 Jamil Jonis	Bonaire	4	2	14	4				24.0
5 ARU-2	O Mathias Verploeg	Aruba	5	3	6	5				19.0
6 ARU-3	9 Rich Cecilia	Aruba	2	14	- 5	6				27.0
7 CUR-3	Gino Martina	Curacao	9	7	3	8				27.0
8 ARU-8	88Steven Lageveen	Aruba	6	8	7	10				31.0
9 NB-44	Mikel Schreuders	Bonaire	7	9	7	14				37.0
10 ARU-6	Bart van Haren	Aruba	8	10	14	9				41.0
11 93	Nadia Daboussi	Bonaire	9	11	11	12				43.0
12 ARU-3	3 Guido Ponson	Aruba	9	11	12	13				45.0
13 V-16	Rony Navarrete	Venezuel	a9	12	14	14				49.0

SUPERKIDS - Slalom

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Р	l Sail#	Name	Country	#1	. #2	2#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	12	Youp Schmit	Bonaire	0.	70.	72	2				5.4
2	ARU-94	Quincy Connor	Aruba	2	2	3	3				10.0
3	101	Mozart Sances	Bonaire	7	6	0.7	0.7				14.4
4	ARU-96	Nik van den Eerenbeemt	Aruba	3	5	4	6				18.0
5	ARU-19	8Wesley Connor	Aruba	5	7	5	4				21.0
6	ARU-47	Berend Pronk	Aruba	4	3	8	8				23.0
7	ARU-26	Nicole van der Velden	Aruba	6	4	6	7				23.0
8	103	David Lee Winklaar	Bonaire	9	8	9	5				31.0
9	ARU-95	Henrick Burgers	Aruba	8	9	7	9				33.0
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BIG KIDS- Slalom

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Ρl	Sail #	Name	Country	#1	#2	2 #3	#4	#5	#6	#7	TOT.
1	118	Rodderick Boekhoudt	Bonaire	0.	70.	70.7	2				4.1
2	60	Jeath Koeks	Bonaire	2	2	2	4				10.0
3	125	Jordan Christiaan	Bonaire	4	3	3	0.7				10.7
4	CUR-61	Albert Jan Klijn	Curacao	6	5	4	3				18.0
5	CUR-88	Marco van der Woude	Curacao	5	4	5	6				20.0
6	CUR-22	Felix Martina	Curacao	3	6	6	5				20.0
7											0.0